

Ask the Chief of the Anna Police: A weekly column allowing readers access to useful information about law enforcement issues in the Anna area.

This column is the personal opinion of Kenny Jenks and is based on his 29+ years of policing experience. It is not necessarily the official opinion of the City of Anna or the Anna Police Department. If you wish to Email, include your name and address in the correspondence. Your information will be edited before sending it to print.

Hello Readers,

I receive between 75-100 Emails each week from persons who would like to converse about the activities of the police in Anna and surrounding areas. I can't respond to or print all of them, but I do read them!

Johnny from Sherman writes: *Dear Chief Jenks, I want to send you a note thanking your officers for helping my wife during the morning hours last week. Her car broke down and she had to pull over on the Highway in Anna. She called me but I was not close. I told her to call the police and get some help. Your Officer came and waited for the tow truck and stayed with her until the towing service could get there. After the tow truck got there, the officer stayed with her until I got there about 20 minutes later. Awesome service and thank you very much!*

Mary from Oak Hollow wrote to me on Thanksgiving. She says, *“Dear Chief Jenks, I just wanted to send a note to tell you how much we appreciate our police and firefighters. When we call, you come. When we have a question, you answer it. When someone says bad things about you, you take it. It is so very nice to know that we have such a great bunch of human beings working in our public safety group here in Anna. Please tell them that I give thanks today for you all!*

Thank you Johnny and Mary for the Emails. We in the public safety profession always appreciate accolades from the citizens that we serve.

We did not choose our professions to seek out flattery or glory. The police officer and firefighter protects and provides for himself, his family, and his community out of duty, not expectation of thanks or reward—that comes in the form of a salary. That middle-class salary he earns is his payment; he does not demand or expect more. But, when it comes, he experiences a sense of pride and uplifting of spirit. Thank you for making us feel appreciated during this holiday season!!!!

Reminder: Outdoor Storm Sirens Tested (weather permitting)

First Wednesday of the month @ 12 noon.

***Phone numbers: Dial 911 in an emergency.** To have a police officer sent to you in a non-emergency, call 972-547-5350. During normal business hours, the APD number is 972-924-2848.

If you have a question or comment, please email: kjenks@annatexas.gov